

Mizrahi vows paper will pay; 'Ha'aretz' found guilty of libel

By YORAM BAR Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — "I won't let 'Ha'aretz' off one single agora. I want I'll find from them now that the court has determined that all their stories were lies," Bezael Mizrahi told The Jerusalem Post yesterday at his Tel Aviv home.

yet and seemed to have difficulty in understanding what the judge meant. Mizrahi, who had always appeared in court dressed in an expensive suit, perhaps because of yesterday's heat, came to hear the verdict wearing a white shirt and black slacks.

It took the judge over an hour to read the 30-page summary of the verdict which is contained in 160 pages of text. Throughout the

Aharon's home. The judge rejected this explanation, and said she was convinced that "white" did indeed refer to heroin.

"Despite that, it was not proved that Mizrahi intended to carry out a heroin deal worth ILS.5m. as the defence claims," she said.

Among the many persons mentioned in the verdict was MK Ehud Olmert, who claimed in court that Mizrahi and his friend Ahf (res.) Bahayim Ze'evi were threatening him because of his campaign against organized crime.

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reading, Valentin sat entirely silent — his eyes fixed on the judge's lips as though he feared to miss a single word.

One by one, the judge noted the issues that the defence had brought up during the trial in its attempts to prove Mizrahi's connections with known criminals.

The affair of the "white" discussed during a meeting between Mizrahi, Oshri and Aharon in a north Tel Aviv cafe was prominent in the verdict. This meeting was photographed and recorded by the police, and the terms "white" (zevona) which in the underworld usually refers to heroin, was audible in the recordings.

Giving testimony in court, Mizrahi had claimed they were referring to the colour of the formica in



'Ha'aretz' reporter Avi Valentin, still smiling, in Tel Aviv District Court yesterday after hearing Judge Wallenstein's verdict that he had libelled Bezael Mizrahi in his series of articles on organized crime. (Elihu Gennosar)

Little hope seen for major progress New round of autonomy talks in Egypt today

Post Diplomatic Correspondent The Israeli negotiating team under Dr. Yosef Burg explains for Alexandria this morning for another round of the autonomy talks — without much realistic prospect of major progress.

The final words of the verdict related to Valentin, whose series of articles on organized crime, and especially the article of July 7, 1977, "Charished Son," formed the subject of the trial.

When the judge mentioned his name, Valentin tensed and listened (Continued on page 2, col. 4)

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Exhilarated lawyers Ram Caspi, Gavriel Cohen and Yaron Elhanani (from right to left) in the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday, after the judge announced that their client, Bezael Mizrahi, had won his libel suit against 'Ha'aretz'. Mizrahi can be seen between Caspi and Cohen near the window. (Elihu Gennosar)

Ben Bella free after 14 years home arrest

ALGIERS (Reuters). — Ahmed Ben Bella, the first president of independent Algeria, was freed yesterday after 14 years of detention. It was officially announced in Algiers.

Ben Bella, 68, was overthrown in a bloodless coup by the late president Houari Boumediene on June 19, 1965, and had been held under house arrest ever since.

The official Algerian news agency APS said last night that the measures taken against him had been lifted on the occasion of the 17th anniversary of the country's independence from France.

Ben Bella had been reported living under strict military guard in a villa 40 km. south of Algiers with his wife and two adopted children.

The conditions of his detention had been eased over recent months. The decision to release him was believed to have been taken by President Chadli Benjedid, who became chief of state after Boumediene's death last December.



Ben Bella on a visit to Prague in May 1964. (Elyseum)

Strauss spurns oil as weapon in peace talks

CAIRO (UPI). — President Jimmy Carter's envoy Robert Strauss yesterday said that the U.S. government would not be intimidated or pressured in Middle East peace negotiations by Arab threats to use the "oil weapon."

Strauss, addressing a news conference, said the chances of a dialogue between Washington and Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization were "between slim and zero."

He expressed confidence that all parties would be brought into the peace effort in the future, saying, "If the current peace process works, everybody will be involved in it, some day, somewhere, some place. I think it will work."

Strauss, who met with President Anwar Sadat Tuesday night, affirmed America's role as "full partner" in the Egyptian-Israeli negotiations on Palestinian autonomy, but said that the time for a decisive American intervention in the negotiations had not yet come.

Asked about the U.S. role in the talks, scheduled to resume today in Alexandria, Strauss said: "Our role at this time has been to be quiet and to monitor. That does not mean we are not partners, because our time to discharge our responsibilities has not arrived."

As these negotiations bog down, as they surely must from time to time, we will be more aggressive and we will not hesitate to be more aggressive," he said.

The negotiations have not made any progress so far, with Egypt and Israel failing to agree even on an agenda, but Strauss insisted that "they have not bogged down at all." He was optimistic that the next few weeks would provide "measurable progress."

"I do not think the U.S. government should ever, and as long as I am involved will never, negotiate any faster or any slower or because of any threats by anybody on any subject," Strauss said.

"As long as I represent President Carter, he would not permit me to do so and I would not do so, with or without his permission," he said.

Asked specifically about a possible blockade of the Hormuz Straits, through which the bulk of Middle East oil passes to the West, Strauss said: "Such statements do not appear any progress."

Strauss visited Israel before coming to Egypt, said both Sadat and Prime Minister Begin are "content."

"I found each of them comfortable in the role they are playing," he said. "I found each of them comfortable in their relationship with each other, although of course they have differences between them, and I found each of them comfortable with the role the U.S. is playing."

Strauss said that Egyptian-Israeli relations were "improving steadily well — I think much better than President Carter, Prime Minister Begin or President Sadat expected, certainly better than I had expected."

Dire predictions on economy Policy-makers meet on subsidies, inflation

By SHILOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter

Senior Bank of Israel and Treasury officials began 48 hours of closed discussions in Israel yesterday against a worrying background of inflation predicted at 80 per cent in the current year, a trade deficit expected to increase by \$800m., and a feeling of futility over the question of what to do about subsidies.

The figures were given by Deputy Bank of Israel governor Zvi Sussman. The Arab talks are expected to cover the tax collecting system and the possibility of increasing the state budget by ILS.5b. to ILS.7b. in 1979.

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bonds only towards the end, when the bonds are still sold at the same price as at the beginning.

The issue is likely to come up at the Treasury-Bank of Israel talks, as more and more economists accuse the government of "printing linked money" through the present system of selling linked bonds at a fixed price at source — which obviously helps swell the inflationary tide.

Bank Deputy Governor Zvi Sussman said yesterday at the meeting of the Bank of Israel advisory committee that the deficit in the state budget, which is the gap between the government's expenditure and its income derived from taxes, reached ILS.5b. in the first half of this year, and is largely financed by the sale of linked bonds to the public.

The sale of linked bonds, he said, could be interpreted as the replacement of ordinary money with linked "substitute money."

Members of the committee said that linked bonds could not be regarded as a form of saving, and their sale does not cancel out the negative effects of the deficit.

The feeling after the meeting was that more changes may be expected in the method of selling linked bonds at source, apart from the imminent switch to a floating price, in order to prevent the inflationary effect of the increase of real holdings in the hands of the public.

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12 killed in fighting between S. Lebanon terror factions

Jerusalem Post Staff METULLA. — At least 12 people were killed in fighting between terrorist factions near the village of Kana, close to the Israeli border, an Irish UNIFIL officer said here yesterday.

The UNIFIL officer, who identified the dead as Shamsi, said there was "complete anarchy" in the area east of Tyre and that UNIFIL can do nothing about it.

Lebanese travellers arriving from central Lebanon to the "Good News" here said yesterday that they had heard sounds of more fighting in the Nakoura area on the Mediterranean coast near UNIFIL headquarters.

According to the travellers, the terrorists are also attacking Shia Moslem villagers and various Lebanese leftist factions are also involved in the fighting.

Most Southern Lebanese leaders in the area under the control of Major Saad Haddad's forces said they were pleased about the fighting in other

parts of Southern Lebanon. Ali Karut, the mukhtar of Meis el-Jabal, said: "They are killing each other and have no time to shoot at us."

The tension and fighting in Southern Lebanon was not eased by the relations between Haddad and UNIFIL. A spokesman for Haddad said the Southern Lebanese militia leader had a "tough" meeting with Norwegian Brigadier M. Vadset on Tuesday evening.

Haddad's spokesman said that the terrorists had sprung an ambush on a resident of the Shia village of Halta, near Meis el-Jabal in the zone supposedly policed by soldiers from the Norwegian UNIFIL contingent. Terrorists had also attacked Norwegian troops in Raahaya el-Fukhar on Tuesday, Haddad's spokesman said.

South Africans kill 12 guerrillas in Angola

WINDHOEK, Namibia. (Reuters). — South African forces crossed into Angola and killed 12 guerrillas in a "hot pursuit" operation in the past three days, military commander General Jan Geldenhuys announced yesterday.

He said the forces discovered a big arms and ammunition dump and food store inside Angola. There were no South African casualties, he added.

Angola-based guerrillas of Swapo (The South West Africa Peoples Organisation) are fighting to end South African rule in this disputed former German colony.

George Habash's PFLP terrorists said training in Cuba

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter Charges that the Soviet Union and its satellites are heavily involved in international terrorism were augmented yesterday by an American senator who said that the Cuban intelligence service is training terrorists for George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP).

U.S. Congressman Jack Kemp, speaking at the Jerusalem Conference on International Terrorism, said that the Cuban intelligence service, the DGI, which is

Clark claims he erred in Jerusalem embassy plan

TORONTO. — Canadian Prime Minister Joe Clark admitted in an interview he gave to "Toronto Star" correspondent Richard Gwyn that he made a mistake when he said he planned to move the Canadian embassy in Israel to Jerusalem.

He gave the interview to Gwyn in Tokyo after the seven-nation economic summit meeting.

"By going in too early," Clark said, "I had not had a chance to be briefed on all the nuances. It was a mistake of tone from which, I am convinced, we can recover to the good of the country."

There was no official reaction in Jerusalem last night to Clark's remarks. The prime minister's spokesman said Premier Menahem

Begin had not yet seen a full text. But Likud chairman Avraham Shariar cabled Clark, charging that his government's backtracking on the decision to shift the embassy to Jerusalem was "an anti-democratic act, cowardice, and the violation of a commitment to electors on the eve of the poll."

Calling on Clark to keep his word and not surrender to extortion, Shariar added, "If the Canadian government decides to break the commitment, it should be aware that it is directly harming the Middle East peace effort and making a negative contribution to normalization in the region."

Meanwhile, Uri Baram (Allgemeine Arbeiter-Zeitung) said: "The decision to move the embassy to Jerusalem was a mistake of tone from which, I am convinced, we can recover to the good of the country."

There was no official reaction in Jerusalem last night to Clark's remarks. The prime minister's spokesman said Premier Menahem



SITTING WITH SCOOP. Sen. Henry Jackson covers a wide range of topics — from Sedat to SALT II to Soviet Jews — in an interview with Yosef Goeli.



ASHORE IN AFULA. Ya'acov Friedler sees a group of Vietnamese 'boat people' who have reached a safe harbour.



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HOME NEWS

Grupper rejects report on wine growers' fraud

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — MK Pessah Grupper, who was yesterday re-elected to the board of the Vintners Cooperative, dismissed as "lies and falsehoods" a "Ma'ariv" report that police want to try him in connection with alleged multi-million-pound irregularities in the cooperative's wine business. The only connection he said he had with the affair, in which millions of pounds allegedly were "milked" from the Vintners' Cooperative, was a discussion he had with police officers when they investigated the allegations six months ago. "I gave them the information I had, including about the \$1,000 (which he allegedly drew illegally from the co-op funds). That's all. The 'Ma'ariv' report is simply libel," he said in a telephone interview.



Pessah Grupper

Asked whether he would sue the newspaper in view of yesterday's big libel judgment, Grupper said, "I'm boiling my guns for the time being. There's no hurry. But I'm considering every possibility, and when the time comes, I'll act." Meanwhile he challenged "any man to come forward and state that I did anything wrong or that the police want me on trial. They're just trying to get at me, that's all." However, he will not hide behind his parliamentary immunity if charged, he said. Twenty-two candidates were approved for board membership yesterday, a formality following their election in their wine growing

villages in the Shomron and the South. Grupper represents Afit. Grupper said that the co-op's control commission report on the irregularities had already been published some weeks ago, so it had not been news when it was distributed at yesterday's annual meeting. The police file on the Grupper case, completed at the Sunday bureau session, if a challenge appears in the office, the Central Committee might be convened in a few weeks to force an early showdown. Allon, it is felt, will back down from his challenge at the Sunday session. He will explain that he is advocating, in principle, the right of members to run for party office. But he will stress that he does not want to fan the flames of discord. Some in Labour say that Allon is not so interested in the leadership as in the No. 2 position which he probably would get. Rabin, however, would not want to play second fiddle and cannot back down from his challenge. Peres is said not to be eager for a face-to-face dialogue with Rabin, but it is not certain that a clash between the arch-rivals could be averted. Allon said yesterday that he would report to Rabin on his conversation with Peres.

CLARK

(Continued from page 1) ment) tabled a parliamentary question to Begin, asking him how Jerusalem planned to react to the Canadian volte-face. He asked whether Begin had not been over-hasty to congratulate Canada with his dramatic announcement of the news at the Herut convention. Was the Arab pressure front against Canada not buttressed by the premature, demonstrative rejoicing here? Barzani asked. Meanwhile, Moslem ministers on Tuesday in Fes, Morocco, called on all Islamic nations to break off diplomatic and economic relations with countries moving embassies to Jerusalem. The Committee of Al-Quds (Jerusalem) ended a two-day meeting called by Morocco's King Hassan II by adopting resolutions designed to focus world attention on the Palestinian situation and Israeli rule of East Jerusalem. The declaration demanded that leaders of Islamic nations take up "firm positions which include the breaking of diplomatic and economic relations with the nations who decide to transfer their embassies to Jerusalem."

The committee, set up by last month's Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, also suggested the implementation of a plan to supply information and organize world seminars on Jerusalem and Palestine, to strengthen the Islamic communities in Jerusalem. (UPI, AP)



Prime Minister Menahem Begin talks with Doron Hershko, a soldier wounded in the Entebbe raid of 1976, at a ceremony marking the third anniversary of the mission which freed airline hostages in Uganda. Simcha Holtzberg, "father of the wounded," looks on. Yesterday a memorial service was held at Mt. Herzl for Sgan-Aluf Yonatan Netafyan, who was killed in the raid. The graveside service was attended by Begin, Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir, U.S. Senator Henry Jackson and participants in the Jerusalem International Conference on Terrorism, as well as by Yoni's relatives and friends. (Rahamim Israel)

Change partners and dance: Labour alliances shape up

By SARAH HONIG Post Political Reporter A cease-fire between Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres and former foreign minister Yigal Allon seems to have been arranged yesterday, but Labour insiders are doubtful that the rivalry between Peres and former prime minister Yitzhak Rabin can be swept under the carpet. Peres and Allon held a private hour-long meeting at Peres' Knesset office yesterday, described by the two as "friendly and frank." Discard in the Labour ranks was revealed several days ago when Rabin and Allon challenged Peres as party leader and threw their hats into the ring. Peres supporters advocated forcing an early decision to catch the potential challengers unprepared. They suggested convening a special Central Committee session in a few weeks.

Allon and Rabin agreed yesterday not to bring the matter up at Sunday's Central Committee session, but to air it at the Leadership Bureau meeting which precedes the Central Committee gathering.

MIZRAHI

(Continued from page 1) even more attentively than before. He paid no attention to the encouraging glances of his attorney, Alexander Tal. "The evidence presented me on how Valentín gathered his information, mainly after the libel suit was presented, and the failures he encountered, led me to the conclusion that Valentín did not take reasonable precautions to verify that what he wrote was indeed the truth," said the judge. When the court rose at 9:30, journalists and photographers swooped on Mizrahi who was smiling widely. Mizrahi took from his pocket a sheet of paper he had ready before the verdict. "I knew it was worth waiting for this happy moment," he read. "Ha'aretz" has denounced me endlessly and now justice has been done for all to see." Asked whether he had also had a sheet of paper ready in the event of losing the trial, Mizrahi answered, "That couldn't have happened." Valentín stood alone at the other end of the hall, greeted by no one. "Ha'aretz" attorney Shlomo Lieblch, who represented Valentín and the paper during the long trial, was not in court yesterday to hear the verdict.

'Ha'aretz' editor sees vindication in verdict

Jerusalem Post Staff TEL AVIV. — Even after losing in its defence against Bezael Mizrahi's libel suit, "Ha'aretz" believes that its articles on organized crime have been vindicated. Only one of the dozens of people mentioned in the series bothered to sue, and the judge determined that some of these persons did indeed belong to organized crime. "Ha'aretz" editor Gershon Schocken said yesterday. Schocken also said that Judge Shulamit Wallenstein of the Tel Aviv District Court erred in ruling for Mizrahi in the libel suit he had filed against the newspaper for calling him a leader of organized crime. He told a radio reporter: "We think that Judge Shulamit Wallenstein made a serious mistake. 'Ha'aretz' plans to appeal the verdict. Schocken and his managing editor, Gideon Samet, do not believe their paper's credibility has been damaged by the verdict and point to parts of Judge Wallenstein's verdict which

give judicial sanction to the comments they made about people they named as leading members of organized crime. The judge has not yet ruled on how much the paper is to pay Mizrahi in libel damages, but Samet confirmed yesterday that the paper is partially insured against libel. In Bezael Mizrahi's three-storey villa in Tel Aviv's Rehov Hidesheimer, the telephone did not stop ringing yesterday as friends phoned to congratulate the millionaire hotelier and contractor. A giant bottle of whiskey stood on the table and about 10 friends had gathered in the spacious lounge directly after the trial. "You see how many friends I have. I knew I was clean and today it was proved in court. I did everything for my three children. I don't want them to have people pointing at them when they go down the street, saying these are Mizrahi's sons, the one 'Ha'aretz' wrote about as a criminal," he told

The Jerusalem Post. Press Council chief Yehoshua Rotenshtreich said yesterday that while the verdict was a warning to journalists not to print things which cannot be proved in court, the press must not be deterred from exposing crime. He added that the verdict endorsed the general picture the newspaper gave of organized crime, as had the Shomron Commission. Interior Minister Yosef Burg said yesterday in Jerusalem that the Mizrahi verdict will not stop police from investigating organized crime in Israel. MK Ehud Olmert, who is being sued by a friend of Mizrahi, Aharon Ze'evi on related issues, among others, said yesterday that the verdict proved unmistakably that a wide network of organized crime existed in Israel as he had argued. Olmert said the judgment could not be considered a moral acquittal of Mizrahi by any stretch of the imagination.

THE WEATHER

Table with 3 columns: Yesterday's Humidity, Yesterday's Min-Max, Today's Min-Max. Locations include Jerusalem, Golan, Nahariya, Safad, Haifa Port, Tiberias, Nazareth, Afula, Shomron, Tel Aviv, B-G Airport, Jericho, Gaza, BeerSheva, Eilat, Tiran Straits.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir met yesterday with the Japanese ambassador, Kazuhide Komuro. West German Ambassador G. Klaus Sohletz last night hosted a dinner for West Berlin's Senate president and burgomaster, Dietrich Stobbe, here for the official opening of the Israel Festival at which West Berlin's opera and ballet companies are to play a major role. Among the guests were Deputy Premier Yigal Yadin and Tel Aviv Mayor and Mrs. Shlomo Lahat.

Ambassadors from the Scandinavian countries met yesterday with Manufacturers Association president Avraham Shavit, in advance of a trip by a delegation of Israeli industrialists to Scandinavia scheduled for September.

The Ministry of Construction and Housing gave a farewell party yesterday in Jerusalem for ministry spokesman Yehuda Lelah, who is leaving to take over the post of deputy managing director of Shikun Ufotah.

Mrs. Robert Strauss, wife of the special envoy of the U.S. to the autonomy talks, yesterday visited the WIZO day care centre in Ramle donated by her parents through the Israel Education Fund of the UJA.

The Harry de Jur Chair in Applied Science was dedicated yesterday at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, in the presence of trustees of the De Jur Foundation of New York and Marlon de Jur, widow of industrialist and inventor Harry de Jur.

The 13-man new governing body of Beit Shalom Aleichem in Tel Aviv, elected recently, includes Deputy Mayor Yitzhak Artzi, Prof. Arye Harel, Judge M. Rubin and Tamara Cahane, the writer's niece, as well as the director of the House, Avraham Liss.

There will be no Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club luncheon meeting today. Tonight at 8.30 members and their wives will celebrate the change of presidents at the beginning of the new Rotary year 1979-80. The incoming president is Raphael Avraham and the honorary secretary is Natan Mendelblitt.

In Memoriam

On the anniversary of the death of Edis de Philippe, the founder of the Israel Opera, a memorial service will be held at her grave at 10 a.m. today. At 3 p.m. today a memorial meeting and distribution of prizes will be held at the Tel Aviv Opera House.

DEPARTURES

Educational Ministry Director-General Eliezer Shmueli, to Europe, on ministry business, including a meeting of the UNESCO council in Geneva. World WIZO president Raya Jaglom, for Geneva (by El-Al).

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IDF work 'above and beyond,' says Navon on Sinai tour

By JUDY SIEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporter SOMEWHERE IN SINAI. — In the course of a rigorous 15-hour tour of military installations affected by the redeployment of forces, President Yitzhak Navon yesterday congratulated the IDF on accomplishing "above and beyond what was expected" with efficiency and dedication. "From what I have seen," Navon told Armoured Corps officers over lunch, "if this work were done by civilian contractors, I'm afraid it would cost many times more, take more time, and be done less efficiently."

Fears that the redeployment would have disastrous effects on the economy seem to be exaggerated, Navon added. The president was accompanied on the first half of the two-day tour by O/C Southern Command Aluf Dan Shomron. Shomron said that the first nine-month stage of withdrawal would cost ID 1.5 b. Navon said he hoped that as it went about implementing the terms of the peace treaty with Egypt, the IDF would give impetus to the Negev's development. "A maximum number of officers should live in Mitzpe Ramon, Eilat, Dimona, and other development towns, rather than in new army camps in the Negev. By demanding better schools and services, the officers can bring benefits to the entire civilian population," he said. The president spoke to men repairing tanks and girl soldiers sliding guns. The day ended near midnight with a kebabs and entertainment around a bonfire.

Education official slams broadcast body

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter A senior Education Ministry official yesterday criticized the Broadcasting Authority for its reports on sexual promiscuity among elementary school girls in Jerusalem's Neve Ya'acov quarter.

Yitzhak Friedman, head of the ministry's Pupils Branch, stated in a report: "The behaviour of the Broadcasting Authority in this case, appears to be a classic instance of 'chasing after a scoop' without taking account the damage which this entails. Quoting the words of boys and girls who have given free rein to their imagination, especially in the matter of sexual relations, without mature restraint, is, in our view, irresponsible which necessitates a severe reaction."

Nehemia Ben-Avraham, sportscaster, dies

Post Sports Reporter TEL AVIV. — Nehemia Ben-Avraham, the dean of Israeli sportscasters, died of a heart attack yesterday at age 55 in Tel Aviv. He began his career as a sportswriter in 1936, at age 14. Eleven years later, he became Israel's first radio sportscaster. He was famous for his dramatic descriptions of sports contests, mainly basketball and football. One of the high points of his career was his live broadcast from Moscow in 1956 of the soccer match between Russia and Israel. He leaves a wife and two children.

Friedman was appointed last week by Education Minister Hammer to investigate the Neve Ya'acov affair. According to Friedman's report, the police know of only three girls who are suspected of "immoral activity," one from a state religious school and two from a state (secular) school.

ECONOMY

(Continued from page 1) The members also stressed that developments in the balance of payments deficit must be seen as a red light for the economy, and the increase in foreign currency holdings in no way lessens the dangers.

On the vexed question of subsidies on basic commodities, government circles were saying yesterday that it would be impossible to abolish subsidies and raise the prices of subsidized commodities without first concluding a social compact between the Histadrut, the government and the employers. At a joint meeting of senior Treasury and National Insurance officials, it was proposed to leave the increase in prices resulting from cancellation of subsidies out of the calculation of October's cost of living allowance. But the proposal remained in the realm of theory, and raised the spectre of a wave of strike action throughout the economy if it were put into effect. Labour and Social Affairs Minister Israel Katz yesterday denied to a questioner that he or his ministry had made such a proposal or would support it.

Katz's ministry backs compensating families with three or more children for subsidy cuts through the mechanism of the National Insurance Institute. But the Likud faction whip on the Knesset Finance Committee, Yigal Cohen-Orgad, is proposing that the compensation should begin only with four-children families.

Government circles also cautioned yesterday that before the subsidy system could be changed, either a new method of calculating the three-monthly cost of living allowance at a rate above 70 per cent would have to be worked out, or some other way would have to be found of reassuring workers that the real value of their wages would not drop. Meanwhile the Bank of Israel has published figures showing that the national debt had risen by the end of January to \$12.5b., as against \$10.7b. at the end of 1977.

Israel salutes Stars and Stripes

Jerusalem Post Reporter Prime Minister Begin, in a buoyant mood, last night watched the presentation of the American colours by a U.S. Marines guard and stood at attention to the strains of "The Star-Spangled Banner" sung by the Amherst choir, which culminated yesterday's Fourth of July celebrations at the Herzliya residence of U.S. Ambassador Sam Lewis. Practically Israel's entire political establishment was represented among the some 1,200 guests who filled the lawns of the ambassador's residence as Lewis recalled the

Eitan's court letter to A-G for redraft

Jerusalem Post Staff Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan, who was criticized by the High Court of Justice for writing a letter instead of submitting a sworn statement to the court on the security justification for the Eilon Moreh settlement, has asked the attorney-general's help in rephrasing the letter. Eitan will then submit it in the form of a sworn affidavit. In the original letter, submitted in the

Police to probe secret document leak to 'Ha'aretz'

Police investigations chief Nitzan Aharoni Chelouche said last night that police will investigate how "Ha'aretz" obtained secret police documents about organized crime. These documents were used by "Ha'aretz" in its unsuccessful defence against Bezael Mizrahi's libel suit. Speaking in an Israel Television "Mabat" news interview, Chelouche said documents were leaked from police intelligence archives and possibly also stolen.

Carter cancels energy address

CAMP DAVID (AP). — U.S. President Jimmy Carter unexpectedly cancelled a nationwide energy address he was due to give on the energy crisis tonight. The announcement was made by White House press secretary Jody Powell, who refused to give any reason for the change in plans. Carter, who cancelled a planned vacation in Hawaii to return to the U.S. to confer with advisers on the latest oil price hikes imposed by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, had been granted air time by all three major U.S. networks for the speech which was to

Salfit residents charge land seizure

Jerusalem Post Reporter Government workers have begun fencing off some of Salfit's land to enlarge the Jewish settlement at Ariel. Arab landowners complained yesterday. Thirteen landowners will today sue the High Court of Justice for an interim injunction against the defence minister and the military governor of Tulkarm to desist from seizing the land and working there. Their attorney, Felicia Langer, told The Jerusalem Post that work had begun although no orders were issued seizing the 1,000 dunams. She said that Tulkarm's deputy military governor three months ago informed Salfit's mayor, Hassan al-Zir, of the government's intention to seize 3,000 dunams there. The landowners protested to UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim and to Defence Minister Ezer Weizman, and the matter was forgotten, she said.

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No-confidence motion defeated by 54-4

Weizman: Don't make political game out of clemency to Litani officer

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN Post Knesset Reporter
Defence Minister Ezer Weizman yesterday asked the Knesset not to make a political football out of the chief of staff's action in reducing the sentence of an officer who had been convicted of killing prisoners taken in the Litani campaign.

the officer's sentence, had exercised his legal powers. And he, Weizman, had no authority to intervene, even if he should wish to.
The district military court, by majority vote, handed down a 12-year sentence, with one of the judges favouring an eight-year jail term, in the Litani campaign.

Shlomo Ya'acov Gross (Agudat Yisrael) charged that the Knesset contained "a militant group of MKs who defend justice only when Arabs are involved." It is a group smitten by self-hate and one that never stands up to defend Jews, he charged.
The chief of staff, Weizman said, had reduced the sentence to two years, with the remaining six years suspended for a period of three years. The demotion in rank remained in force.

Former justice says CoS clemency did not harm court

By ASHER WALLFISH Post Knesset Reporter
Former Supreme Court Justice Moshe Etlon said yesterday that the chief of staff's remission of sentence in the case of the lieutenant in the Litani operation, from eight years to two, was not a slap in the face for the military court of appeal, because the chief of staff acted strictly within his powers. He was speaking to The Jerusalem Post.

circumstances emerge subsequently. I am convinced that just this incident against Michael Lewi's request for clemency," Justice Etlon said.
"We cannot know what considerations motivate the president and the chief of staff in deciding to remit sentences. But we can only trust that their decisions are free of favoritism in every case," Etlon said.

Begin: Israel has proof terrorist trained with Soviet army

MADRID (Reuter). — Israel believes that an independent Palestinian state could become a Soviet base in the Middle East. It has a document certifying that a Palestinian terrorist trained with the Soviet army, said Prime Minister Menachem Begin in an interview published here yesterday in the newspaper "El Pais."
Begin said he would like to sign a definitive peace with Egypt and Jordan, negotiate with Syria, and resolve the question of the Lebanese border, all within this and another term in office.

Mother, child tell of Soviet family jail horrors

By SARAH HONIG Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — "They kept calling me Jew-girl and beating me. There wasn't enough food and it was usually burned," nine-year-old Larissa told the press yesterday, recalling the nearly two years she spent behind barbed wire in a Soviet prison camp for children.
Chubby, freckled and shy, Larissa appeared with her mother, Ada Sherman, at a press conference here yesterday to tell of the ordeals of the Soviet Union's women prisoners, whose children are often sent to camps together with them.

daughter. When I located her, I discovered an intimidated, yellowish, pale child, so emaciated that you could almost see through her. She would not say anything about her ordeal and only cried, with visible horror in her eyes."
The only details she managed to elicit from the child were that she had shared a room with 60 other children, that she was always hungry, and that those in charge of "educating" the youngsters beat them daily. "I finally stopped asking her a kind of evading, terrible memories," Sherman, now an ulpan student at Kiryat Haim, told the press.

"When a child died, the nanny would often tell the mother: 'Why are you crying? It would have died anyway after more suffering, or it would have grown up to become a bandit. It is better for these degenerates to die.'" Children died in camp every day, and the babies' survival rate was only about 50 per cent, Sherman related.
She recalled one convoy of women prisoners which arrived in her camp in April, 1977. "The prisoners were transported with their babies, all of whom had died on the way. Pregnant women and nursing mothers were often cruelly beaten."

TA paper war stalemated

By MICHAEL YUDILMAN Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A meeting between Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat and Soldiers Welfare Association chairman Nafke Nir yesterday morning failed to settle the dispute over the waste paper collection bins set up all over the city by the association.

The "paper war" began a few months ago when municipal Executive member Arye Kremer, head of the city's Sanitation Department, called the containers an ecological nuisance and declared his intention of removing them. He suggested installing containers instead in every building's yard, and hiring a private paper company to empty them.

Mks propose bill on budget cop-out

By SELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter
A private members' bill based on the claim that the government may no longer need to submit supplementary budgets for Knesset approval in three readings was presented in the plenum yesterday.



U.S. Senator Henry Jackson meets Avital Shcharansky, wife of imprisoned Soviet Jewish dissident Anatoly Shcharansky, at the Jerusalem Hilton yesterday.

Jackson pledges human rights commitment to Soviet Jewry

Senator Henry Jackson yesterday promised the Israel Public Council for Soviet Jewry that he would never compromise on an issue of human freedom. Jackson, one of the foremost supporters of Soviet Jewry in the U.S. Congress, met members of the council in Jerusalem.
"I am stubborn, I am not going to compromise on an issue of principle, human freedom," he said in the meeting at the Jerusalem Hilton. Reviewing his involvement with the struggle to allow Soviet citizens freedom of emigration, Jackson said the near introduction of the "Jackson Amendment" in 1971 had an immediate effect on the Russians: they stopped forcing emigrating Soviet Jews to pay an education tax.

national laws to which the USSR is a signatory," he said. "In order for Russia to get the trade credits and most-favoured-nation status it wants, it must live up to two conditions: one, to honour the applications for emigration without harassment; and two, to maintain a reasonable relationship between visas applied for and visas granted. I don't intend to deviate from the position I have taken."
Senator Jackson was greeted by MK Yosef Rom, member of the Israel Council's presidium, and Rafi Bar-Lavie, chairman of the Georgian Immigrants Association.

Tamir: Israel still trying to get Wagner

Post Knesset Reporter
Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir said yesterday that the ministry would explore every possibility of persuading the Brazilian government to extradite Nazi criminal Gustav Wagner.

On Monday night the association obtained a temporary injunction against the Tel Aviv Municipality to stop removal of the bins from the city's pavements.
The association receives about IL370 per ton from a company which uses the paper for making egg trays.

Gov't wants higher Kupat Holim fees

Post Economic Reporter
The ministers of finance and health yesterday demanded that the Histadrut's Kupat Holim cover IL2.5b. of its deficit by increasing members' fees and making the sick fund function more efficiently.

Shcharansky deteriorating in prison

TEL AVIV (AP). — The wife of imprisoned Soviet Jewish activist Anatoly Shcharansky says her husband complains of headaches and eye trouble and may not be able to write more letters to his family from prison.
"Every letter he complains of terrible headaches," Avital Shcharansky told the army radio yesterday. "It is becoming difficult for him to read and write, and in his last letter he wrote that even in daylight he cannot see and must wear dark glasses."

year to 13 years imprisonment on espionage charges in a case that aroused international protest. The 31-year-old dissident was a leader in the Jewish emigration movement, and he and his wife now live in Jerusalem.
Shcharansky's release has been demanded by the army radio yesterday. "He is losing weight drastically," Avital Shcharansky said. "Nobody is looking after him. I'm afraid that this may be his last letter because he says he can't focus his eyes to write anymore."

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Katz objects to Quaker legal aid only if it 'duplicates'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Social Affairs Ministry does not mind if the Quakers operating in the administered areas provide legal aid to those in need of it... so long as there is no duplication of service and so long as the legal aid is not abused for political purposes.

Katz objects to Quaker legal aid only if it 'duplicates'

This emerges from a statement issued yesterday by Social Affairs Minister Israel Katz in which he commented on a report in yesterday morning's Jerusalem Post.
Katz stated that his ministry "welcomes and seeks to encourage the work of international organizations, including the Quakers, which promote social and humanitarian services in the administered areas and in the State of Israel."

U.S. Jews call for energy reform

NEW YORK (JTA). — Twelve major American Jewish organizations have joined in urging President Jimmy Carter to increase efforts to reduce American dependence "on unstable Persian Gulf oil sources." They called for greater conservation of oil, more widespread use of alternative energy sources in the U.S., and increased oil explorations in the Western Hemisphere.

Jackson meets with Aliya C'tee head

By ASHER WALLFISH Post Knesset Reporter
Political demarches between the U.S. and the Soviet Union, as well as attempts to weaken the "Jackson Amendment," are a threat to the Jews of the Soviet Union, Senator Henry Jackson (Democrat-Washington) concurred with the chairman of the Knesset Aliya Committee, Ronnie Milo, yesterday.

Senator Jackson over to the Knesset to see the Aliya Committee on the grounds that Jackson was too busy. The same complaint was aired by committee member Ze'ev Katz (Alignment) in a letter to Prime Minister Begin, when he wrote that the Foreign Ministry was guilty of "a deliberate dereliction of duty, a disparagement of the status of the Knesset, and faulty powers of judgement with regard to the priorities of the Government of Israel."

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The Ministry of Communications has launched a recruitment campaign in an attempt to solve the manpower shortage which is holding up the delivery of mail in Tel Aviv.
By offering a wide range of flexible hours and beats, the ministry hopes to attract recruits from the ranks of housewives, students and pensioners.

Kfar Sava hosts int'l choir fest

Kfar Sava (Itim). — The 11th annual Zimriya (choir festival) opened Monday as a festive concert in the cultural centre here, with nine foreign choirs and one Kfar Sava choir participating.
The choir festival, which this year is dedicated to the memory of its two founders — Aharon Zvi Propes and Shlomo Kaplan — will feature 22 choirs and thousands of participants in 65 appearances this summer throughout the country.

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THE INSTITUTE FOR JUDAISM AND CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE Institute's Ninth International Summer Seminar "Spiritual Leadership In Our Time" will take place on Friday, July 6, at 9:00 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Stollman Administration Building at Bar-Ilan University, Ramat Gan.

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ETA bombs two holiday hotels to hit tourism

MADRID (Reuters). — Two bombs exploded at hotels on the Costa del Sol holiday coast yesterday as the Basque separatist organization ETA stepped up its campaign to sabotage the Spanish tourism industry.

No one was injured by the blasts.

The first went off on the first floor of a luxury hotel at Fuenegrande, causing extensive damage.

Just under an hour later, another explosion shook a state-run hotel outside the resort of Torremolinos, police sources said.

Both hotels had been evacuated before the bombs went off, following ETA telephoned warnings to the Basque news organization.

The latest blasts brought to 13 the number of bombs planted in tourist resorts in the past week.

Basque-speaking gunmen on Tuesday night shot and wounded the press spokesman of Premier Adolfo Suarez's Centre Party, Gabriel Cisneros, in an apparent attempt to kidnap him.

In northern Spain, a bomb exploded in a car showroom and guerrillas machine-gunned a civil guard barracks yesterday in the Basque region.

Nobody was hurt in the machine-gun attack on the barracks at Vergara.

The bomb explosion at Algorta seriously damaged a Citroen car showroom. ETA has said it will attack French interests because of a French crackdown on Basque refugees in France.

Thirteen bombs have exploded on Spain's holiday coasts in the past week and there were increasing fears that the peak holiday season now beginning would be dealt a mortal blow. Hoteliers were already concerned by a drop in bookings blamed on fast-rising prices and, in the case of the Costa del Sol, a damaging strike by hotel staff in the spring.

Some Costa del Sol hotels reported that only 80 per cent of their beds were filled. In the Costa Brava and the Balearic Islands bookings were also down.

The two hotels involved have a total of 3,850 rooms.



Istanbul became the first European city to ration petrol. Here retailers check coupons before pumping fuel, limited at 500 litres a month and 80 litres for private cars. Despite the measure, there were still queues. (AP radiophoto)

Priest's home raided deep inside Salisbury

SALISBURY. — Black insurgents slipped into the home of the Greek Orthodox archbishop early Tuesday, failed to get beyond the living-room because the inside door was locked, then went out again and unleashed a barrage of rocket and small-arms fire on the house.

Archbishop Cyril Papadopolous threw himself on the floor as the insurgents blasted the house, hurt his knee and was later treated for shock. But neither he nor his two sisters were wounded. The house sustained some damage.

Police and military officials said they could not exclude the possibility that the attack was meant for the country's supreme military commander, Lt. Gen. Peter Walls, who lives on a side street some 400 metres away.

The officials also speculated the strike at 2.11 a.m. might have been an attempt to frighten the Greek community — an important section of the 250,000-strong white minority.

The house is about 2 km. from the residence of Prime Minister Abel Muzorewa and President Josiah Gumede and facilities housing the headquarters of the army and the national police.

A police spokesman said the attackers entered the lounge and a room at the southern end of the building serving as an office, but could get no further because the interior doors were locked.

Police rushing to the house heard gunfire from a nearby street. There, market owner Rokos Vallianos, another member of the Greek community, had gone out to investigate the source of the gunfire and found himself face to face with an insurgent armed with a Kalashnikov assault rifle.

His daughter, Mary Malahias, said that as she opened a window to call for a father back in, she saw bullets flying. Vallianos fell to the ground to escape the gunfire and was not wounded.

As a full-scale manhunt was launched for the attackers — who had staged the deepest penetration of a Salisbury suburb of the six-year war — Prime Minister Muzorewa held a final round of talks in the capital with visiting British undersecretary Lord Harlech.

Lord Harlech left shortly afterwards for London to report to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington. He would not comment to reporters on his 29-hour flying visit. (UPI, Reuters)

Schmidt cites 'clean car' at head of gov't energy list

BONN (AP). — Chancellor Helmut Schmidt yesterday challenged the West German automobile industry to lead the world in developing a low-energy, clean car.

Schmidt made the proposal in an 80-minute report to parliament on the June economic summit meeting in Tokyo and his government's plan to deal with energy problems.

"In the long run, we must develop a completely new automobile that saves energy and is environmentally safe," Schmidt said. "Until then automobile companies should concentrate on competition to reduce petrol consumption as well as exhaust and noise."

Petrol, which costs more than \$3 a gallon in West Germany, is still readily available and there have been no petrol queues as in the U.S.

The rest of Schmidt's energy plan was a continuation of plans begun in 1973-74 in response to the Arab oil embargo.

Schmidt said West Germany's immediate energy plans would continue to stress the need for more nuclear reactors and more reliance on the country's coal reserves. But he added that both fuels bring risks.

E. Germany admits arming and training Ethiopians

EAST BERLIN (Reuters). — Defense Minister Heinz Hoffmann admitted yesterday that East Germany supplied arms to Ethiopia. He also denied communist military aid to Angola and Mozambique.

In an interview with the foreign policy weekly "Horizont," General Hoffmann said that during a visit to Ethiopia in May he watched "thousands of militia practicing an attack with sub-machineguns and steel helmets from the GDR" (German Democratic Republic).

The defense minister said Moscow had been asked to turn the guerrilla forces into a regular army and needed modern weapon systems such as anti-aircraft missiles.

Ethiopia and Mozambique — estimate East German aid to be "most effective" after that of the Soviet Union and Cuba.

The Soviet Union has supplied weapons, and Cuba has sent troops to back up African regimes.

Hoffmann said training officers and subalterns was one of the most important contributions a communist state could give to emergent states. "It is no less important than material and political and moral support," he added.

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Viet soldiers asked to stay in Cambodia

TOKYO (UPI). — A Cambodian leader says Vietnamese troops will remain in his country until deposed premier Pol Pot's forces have been routed, Japanese news reports said yesterday.

"We will seek help from Vietnam" until dissidents abandon their resistance, reports quoted Sen Sovan, vice chairman of the Kampuchean (Cambodian) United Front for National Salvation as saying in an interview with Japanese reporters in Phnom Penh on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Thailand announced late on Tuesday that it will take no more refugees and rejected International Red Cross criticism of its repatriation of 40,000 Cambodian refugees.

At the same time, top-ranking military sources suggested aid be funneled through Thailand to starving Cambodians in Cambodia to prevent more of them from flooding across the border.

An official Thai Foreign Ministry statement said, "As Thailand has already exceeded its capacity to shoulder the burden of the displaced persons and illegal immigrants from Indochina, it can no longer accept further intake of these people."

N. Korea calls for 'non-alien' union talks with South

TOKYO (UPI). — North Korea yesterday called for unification talks with South Korea without "alien interference" one day after virtually rejecting a three-way dialogue on the Korean problem proposed by Washington and Seoul yesterday.

"We will continue to make every effort to peacefully solve the idea of great national unity through dialogue and negotiations between the north and the south without any alien interference," said an editorial in "RoDong Sinmun," official newspaper of the Korean Workers' Party.

The newspaper also blasted for a second day in a row President Carter's recent trip to Seoul, calling it a "war-meditating trip" aimed at permanent U.S. military occupation of South Korea and division of the Korean peninsula.

Soviets now courting UK's 'Iron Lady'

LONDON (UPI). — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, whom the Russians once dubbed "The Iron Lady," has been invited to visit the Soviet Union, her office said yesterday.

She was given the "Iron Lady" nickname by Russian newspapers because of her speeches as Conservative opposition leader criticizing the Soviet Union. Officials said Thatcher accepted but is unlikely to take up the invitation before 1980.

Top senator briefs Brezhnev on SALT

MOSCOW (UPI). — U.S. Senate majority leader Robert Byrd left Moscow yesterday on a special flight to the Crimea, where he will discuss the new Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty with President Leonid Brezhnev, who is vacationing.

Byrd said on Tuesday he believes the Russians understand the Senate treaty ratification process, but he warned that attempts to push SALT through the chamber could be unconstructive.

Byrd's aides have stressed to reporters that he does not plan to comment on the outcome of his talk with Brezhnev until after he meets with Foreign Minister Gromyko here this afternoon.

Two students killed by police in India

NEW DELHI (AP). — Two college students, protesting measures against exam cheating, were killed by police here yesterday and 40 others, including 30 policemen, were injured during six hours of street clashes at Allah, eastern India, the United News of India reported.

Students attacked police who were sent to provide security at a local university during examinations. Cheating reportedly has been rampant on some Indian campuses in the past year.

Iran revolutionary court official abducted

TEHRAN. — Unidentified gunmen kidnapped the examining officer of a revolutionary court in the southern city of Najafabad yesterday amid a citywide protest over lenient sentences passed on two alleged killers.

Press reports said the kidnapped official was pulled out of his house in Najafabad, pushed into a car and driven away by unidentified gunmen. The kidnappers fired into the air as they raided the house and fled in the ensuing chaos.

Guards and police blockaded streets in the city to search for the kidnappers or their victim.

An Islamic revolutionary court in Teheran sentenced and executed a police officer on multiple charges of torture, rape and corruption, the state radio reported.

All Khomeinist was lashed 100 times before he was taken before a firing squad and shot, the radio said.

Another Islamic court in Urumia in west Iran sentenced and executed another police officer, Abdollah Qasbi, bringing to 23 the total number of executions since the February revolution, the "Ettelaat" newspaper reported.

On Tuesday, Foreign Minister Ibrahim Yazdi said that it is not Iranian government policy to assassinate the deposed shah or to dispatch Iranian agents to capture him by force.

But he said the Iranian government will act "within international laws and regulations" to bring the shah back to Iran for trial, and that "we are preparing the ground" for a formal extradition request to Mexico. (AP, UPI)

Simone Veil leaves French gov't for Europarlament

PARIS (UPI). — Simone Veil, who became France's most popular politician through such unpopular campaigns as abortion reform, resigned her post as health minister yesterday to devote herself to her new job as a representative in the European Parliament.

The Elysee Palace was to announce later yesterday a successor to Veil, who was the only woman minister in the cabinet and whose five-year term was one of the longest.

"I'm a little sad about leaving a team I like, but not about leaving the job," Veil said.

Veil was elected to the European Parliament on June 10 on the Union pour la Democratie Francaise, the party of President Giscard d'Estaing. Oddly enough, it was the president's political rival, Exs Mayor Jacques Chirac, who had recommended her for the minister's job.

"Madame Simone Veil has symbolized the rise of women to the highest positions of responsibility in French society," Giscard said Wednesday. "By her simplicity, her dignity, her competence, she has illustrated the indispensable contribution of women in the public life."

She was appointed health minister in 1974 and within a year had guided an abortion reform law through parliament, making France the first major Mediterranean and predominantly Roman Catholic country to legalize abortion.

During the National Assembly abortion debate, Veil displayed the courage that has marked her career.

At one point in the all-night debate, a deputy shouted: "Madame le Ministre, do you want to send children to the cement?"

The deputy was unaware that Veil, a Jew, is a survivor of the Auschwitz death camp. Her parents and brother were killed while Nazi prisoners.

After the deputy's comment, Veil's head slumped forward and her eyes filled with tears. The Assembly president asked if she wanted a recess. Veil quickly regained her composure and replied, "No, it is not necessary."

Veil was arrested by the Germans in March 1944, one day after she had taken her high school graduation exam. She was released in 1945, returned to France and began to study law.

While a law student, she met and married Antoine Veil, whose sister had been a fellow prisoner at Auschwitz. By the time she received her law degree in 1946, she was the mother of three sons.

Indian seer sees Skylab safely smashing Siberia

NEW DELHI (AP). — An Indian astrologer has predicted that the falling Skylab will land in Siberia between July 9 and 13 and will cause no damage to life or property, the "Statesman" newspaper reported yesterday.

Pandit Shiv Kumar Jaitly, the author of several astrological almanacs, had forecast correctly former prime minister Indira Gandhi's stunning defeat in the 1977 general election, it said in a dispatch from Amritsar in north India.

The Calcutta-based English-language daily said a Yoga teacher who has been trying since Monday to move the Skylab out of its orbit with his "inner force" claims he already is 99 per cent successful.

"This is an exemplary revolutionary and historical success of the materialistic sciences," said Dr. Banankant Misra, a Yogi living in Lucknow, about 500 kilometres southeast of New Delhi. Meanwhile, Hindus gathered at a temple in Bombay to beseech the Goddess Durga in prayers to prevent Skylab from falling on Maharashtra state, the United Press of India reported. Yesterday was the fifth straight day of special Skylab prayers to Durga, the warrior goddess, it said.

"The consequences of Skylab debris are expected to be disastrous," UNI quoted a person at the temple as saying. "Only divine mercy can avoid the impending tragedy."

In Thailand a leading astronomer called on Buddhists to live by Buddha's teaching to prepare themselves in case debris from the U.S. orbiting space laboratory Skylab should hit Thailand.

Prof. Ravi Bhavilal, a lecturer at Chula Longkorn University's Faculty of Science, said in a speech entitled "Skylab and Religious Truth" that the Thai people should clear their minds and concentrate on Buddha's teaching to stay calm until the "Skylab crisis" passes.

Soviet soldier defects

KIRKENES, Norway (UPI). — A 19-year-old Soviet soldier in civilian clothes walked across the border from the Soviet Union into Norway and turned himself over to police saying he was "fed up with the Soviet Union," the foreign ministry said yesterday.

The unidentified soldier, who was serving with Soviet ground forces stationed on the Kola peninsula, crossed into this NATO country on Monday, police reported.

Soviet authorities had been informed about the defection, the ministry said. It refused to say whether the man had asked for political asylum.

It never rains in Bangladesh

DACCA (AP). — Bangladesh, which has just experienced its worst drought in 70 years, now is threatened with floods as the country's three major rivers have risen above danger level.

The rivers flowing above the danger level were the Teesta, Brahmaputra, and Ganges. The rivers Brahmaputra, Manu and Khowai were rising fast and flood warning centres have forecast floods along these rivers.

The Habiganj subdivision in the tea-growing district of Sylhet experienced flash floods last week following incessant rains in upper reaches in India.

Poles, Czechs welcome Bonn vote on Nazi prosecution

WARSAW. — East European reaction to the Bundestag decision to abolish the statute of limitations on Nazi murders was mixed in the official press yesterday. Both the Polish and Czech Communist Party newspapers, "Trybuna Ludu" and "Rude Pravo," were pleased by the decision but had reservations about what "Rude Pravo" called "the liberal attitude of the West German justice organs towards former Nazis."

"Trybuna Ludu" commented that the debate was like a courteous exchange of views. "While talking about the greatest crime mankind knows, the speakers drily and politely debated the legal aspects of the matter, as if a great moral problem was not at stake."

Both papers were concerned at what "Trybuna Ludu" called "biological amnesty" — unpunished Nazi criminals who die of old age because of procrastination in prosecuting Nazi crimes.

In Vienna, Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal said he regards the abolition of the statute as "a moral victory for the survivors of the Holocaust."

Beate Klarsfeld, France's foremost Nazi-hunter, interviewed on French radio, said she was "very happy and very proud, as a German citizen, that the Bundestag abolished the statute of limitations on crimes against humanity." (AP, Reuters)

K meets Fahd

JEDDA (UPI). — Former U.S. secretary of state Henry Kissinger arrived in Riyadh yesterday and immediately conferred with Saudi Crown Prince Fahd, the state-run Saudi Press Agency said.

Kissinger came from a one-day private visit to Jordan during which he had "very private meetings" with King Hussein, according to a Royal Palace spokesman.

Saudi Arabian officials refused to discuss the purpose of Kissinger's visit and the nature of his talks with Fahd.

Tory ex-minister at 63

LONDON (UPI). — John Davies, 63, former Conservative government minister and former Conservative foreign affairs spokesman when the party was in opposition, died in London's St. Thomas's Hospital yesterday.

Davies became ill immediately after addressing the Conservative Party's annual convention at Brighton last October.

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By MIKE ARONSTAM

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HANDING DOWN judgment, Judge Shulamit Wallenstein began by pointing out that Bezalel Mizrahi had been the target of five defamatory claims made by 'Ha'aretz'...

'Ha'aretz' had admitted to publishing the statements and had also admitted that they amounted to defamation. The paper claimed in its defence that the statements were true...

The court, Judge Wallenstein said, was convinced, in the light of three commissions that had devoted themselves to the subject, and after hearing expert testimony in court, that Israel had its own version of organized crime.

This encompassed various branches of crime, including drug trafficking, trade in stolen goods, smuggling, sophisticated forms of fraud, protection, and the like.

'Ha'aretz' had tried to prove Mizrahi's connection with the organization and to establish his role within it.

The defence had cited a top-secret police report dealing with 11 alleged leaders of organized crime in Israel.

Oshri, Aharoni and Mizrahi all figured in this report. 'Ha'aretz' had also tried to delve into the sources of this report; and Avi Valentin, the paper's crime reporter, had been in contact with figures such as Micha 'Papa' Rokenstein, Shoshana Malchi and Herzl Ozer.

Clearly, gathering evidence of this type is very difficult, Judge Wallenstein said, but the defence should have been aware of the difficulty and of the likelihood that witnesses would retract their stories under oath in a court.

Valentin had in some cases shown a dilettante, even naive attitude in gathering his evidence. If he had thought that the defence counsel would succeed in getting witnesses to talk, he had erred, she said.

But those who were involved in crime, as Valentin's witnesses were, were far more afraid of the vengeance that the underworld would exact for informing than they were of any punishment that could be meted out for perjury in court.

Examining the defence claim to have spoken the truth, Judge Wallenstein said she accepted the defence version of the episode in which Mizrahi, Aharoni and Oshri had spoken of the expected arrival of a consignment of heroin.

Judge Wallenstein also said she was convinced that Aharoni and Oshri had a hand in every job — they did not discriminate in their choice of crime and it was sufficient for them that there was money in it.

The judge also gave credence to the defence's claim that Mizrahi was aware of the criminal activities of Aharoni and Oshri, and that he himself had admitted his friendship with them.

No guilt by association in Mizrahi libel case

'Ha'aretz' could not prove any of its major allegations against contractor and hotelier Bezalel Mizrahi, who the paper claimed was a leader of organized crime and involved in numerous illicit deals.

was she prepared to deduce from the facts brought to light by the conversation about heroin between the three that Mizrahi had been in the drug smuggling or in the financing of the deal. All that can be deduced, she said, is that the three were interested in a deal of the type mentioned.

There was even less proof in regard to the allegation that Mizrahi had financed deals involving the purchase of stolen diamonds and their smuggling abroad.

In holding that these two allegations had not been proved, the court noted that this also scuttled the fate of the first and second allegations that 'Ha'aretz' had made about Mizrahi.

Oshri and Aharoni, the judge was convinced, were correctly thought by the police to be the leaders of the 'Kerem Gang.' This gang is also a branch of 'organized crime Israel-style,' she said.

But even though she was convinced that Mizrahi and the two gang leaders were friends and business associates, this was not sufficient to substantiate the claims that Valentin had made as detailed in the first two charges 'Ha'aretz' had levelled.



Judge Shulamit Wallenstein, who handed down yesterday's verdict. (Ran Erbe, courtesy of 'Ma'ariv')

contention that the defamatory passages had been taken out of context and that they were true statements when read within the context of Valentin's entire series as it appeared in the newspaper.

Once 'Ha'aretz' had conceded that the matter they had published in connection with Bezalel Mizrahi was defamatory, all that was left to them was to persuade the court that they had a good defence. They based their

defence on three alternative pleas: truth, accurate and fair report of a privileged publication, and good faith.

In so far as the plea of "truth" is concerned, section 14 of the Defamation Law provides that "if a criminal or civil action for defamation, it shall be a good defence that the matter published was true and the publication was in the public interest."

The District Court did not dispute the fact that the publication was in the public interest, but found that 'Ha'aretz' had not succeeded in proving the truth of any of its allegations against Mizrahi, save that he had been sentenced to a fine of IL50,000 for failing to declare income in his capital assets return.

The plea that the publication was an accurate and fair report of a privileged publication — that is of revelations made by MK Ehud Olmert and matter contained in a secret police report on organized crime — was similarly dismissed by the District Court.

As to the defendants' main defence — that of good faith — it was based specifically on section 15(2) of the Defamation Law which provides that a publication is in good faith if the relations between the defendant and the person to whom the publication was addressed impose on him (the defendant) a legal, moral, or social duty to make the publication.

The District Court held that 'Ha'aretz' did have a moral and social duty towards its readers to publish details and particulars about the existence of organized crime in Israel. But it had no duty to publish Mizrahi's name in this connection in the absence of conclusive proof of his connection with organized crime.

She could not, held the District Court judge, accept the 'Ha'aretz' argument that it had been in duty bound to publish Mizrahi's name instead of conveying its suspicions to the police, as it should have done, because in its opinion the whole system of police investigations had collapsed.

First, she did not agree that the police were ineffective. On the contrary, most of the information contained in the newspaper articles had been gleaned from police reports. And, second, even if the defendants were of the opinion that there was no



Bezalel Mizrahi, holding a file of documents, leaves the Tel Aviv District Court with his friend Murya Shapira after one of the many hearings that led to Mizrahi's victory in the libel suit. (Dani Gostriek)



Tuviya Oshri, one of Bezalel Mizrahi's friends, whom the judge in the Mizrahi case said was a member of the Tel Aviv 'Kerem Gang.' Oshri attended many of the hearings in the suit but his friendship with Mizrahi was deemed, as were other aspects of the 'Ha'aretz' defence, insufficient evidence to back up the newspaper's allegations. (IPPA)

practical use in going to the police, they could at least have turned to the minister of police, or to the attorney-general. They had not gone to the minister of police at all, and they had appealed to the attorney-general only after the present action had already been brought against them.

In summing up its conclusions with respect to the defence of "good faith," the District Court held that Valentin had not, before publishing the allegations about Mizrahi's connection with organized crime, taken reasonable measures to find out whether his allegations were true.

'Ha'aretz' could not, therefore, claim to have published these allegations in good faith, when both the paper and Valentin knew, or should have known, that they were unable to prove them.



Rahamin ("Gumadi") Aharoni, whose name cropped up often in the hearings of Bezalel Mizrahi's suit. Aharoni's character did not win much approbation from Judge Wallenstein, but this was not enough to prove that 'Ha'aretz' did not libel Mizrahi. (S4 Plus, courtesy of 'Ma'ariv')

The 'rich man' of Sheikh Munes

By ROBERT ROSENBERG WHEN NAJJI died he was the richest man in Sheikh Munes, a crumbling neighbourhood that today is slowly being taken over by Tel Aviv University.

Najji and his wife Marcella, along with their seven children, came from Iraq in 1960. They were put in the transit camp at Sheikh Munes, which before the Independence War had been an Arab village.

I never knew Najji's last name, even though he was my landlord, the local grocery store owner and the unofficial mayor of the village. Najji spoke Hebrew with me, English with my girlfriend, Iraqi Arabic with his wife, Yiddish with the old Polish man who ran the newspaper kiosk, Ladino with some of the elderly Tunisian women, Moroccan Arabic with the pimp who lived across the tiny dale from my former chicken coop of a house.

Marcella grew mint, which she sold in the grocery store, in our backyard. I say our backyard because my little house was in Najji and Marcella's backyard. The yard had a huckleberry tree, an overgrown fantasia of giant chrysanthemums and roses, strange mints and an old pear tree.

Najji was the richest man in the village when he died because he could lay claim to occupancy of seven apartments. In Sheikh Munes, wealth was measured in those days after the Yom Kippur War by how many apartments the municipality's housing company would give in exchange for their taking over the broken-down building where you lived.

Najji also owned a car, which rumour said was paid for by a son who had long since left Sheikh Munes and had opened a boutique for fake Levi's somewhere in the Bronx. Najji would rarely be seen actually driving the car, though once he gave me a ride when he saw me hitchhiking on Ibn Gvirol late at night.

Guerrillas free two British bankers

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP). — Two British bank executives held captive for seven months in this Central American country flew to the U.S. after \$10m. was paid to their kidnapers.

A spokesman for the Bank of London and South America said Ian Massie, 46, and Michael Chatterton, 47, were set free in different locations outside San Salvador on Monday.

Massie, manager of the bank's local branch, and Chatterton, his assistant, had been in the country only about three months when they were seized on a street next to the bank last November.

They were apparently held by a group calling itself the "Armed Forces for National Resistance"

apartments gained him envy, while his ownership of IOU's from all the grocery store patrons gained him a certain authority in the village.

I MOVED out of Sheikh Munes when I was about to marry and go abroad to study for a year. When I went to say goodbye to Najji and Marcella, they had prepared a gift.

It was a small plaque made of seashells glued to a wooden board. The seashells spelled out "welcome" in Hebrew, and they told me it was to hang on the door of my next apartment.

The little shells fell off the wooden board in my suitcase, and the plaque never did hang on a door. Thinking of doors reminds me that when you rang the bell at Najji and Marcella's house, the chimes played the first few bars of the Hallelujah chorus.

My flat-mate Magen stayed on in the house in Sheikh Munes for a short while, then moved away as well. Shortly afterwards, Najji died.

When I returned to Israel, I met up with Magen again, and it was he who told me about Najji's death.

Sheikh Munes has died too. My father's office at the university overlooks my little old house. That old little house is now empty. Najji and Marcella's grocery store is now an empty lot. The university built a laboratory to study cosmic rays not far from the little house.

Most of the other residents of Sheikh Munes whom I knew are gone now too, except for the ex-con who raises ducks in his backyard. He told me that Najji had died of cancer and that Marcella has moved to the Bronx to live near her successful son and daughter-in-law.

Najji always did want to go to America. He once asked me what the mascot business was like there. I told him people use supermarkets but that in the supermarkets you couldn't gossip and the owner didn't let you owe a bill for a month if you didn't have any money.

He said he figured as much and told me that it reminded him that the electricity bill had arrived. Later, I found out that although my rent was the equivalent of \$15 a month, I was paying Najji's electricity bill as well as mine. But that still only came to about \$35 a month.

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Evert Lloyd, Navratilova sweep to finals rematch

WIMBLEDON. — Defending champion Chris Evert Lloyd and world No. 1 Martina Navratilova scored straight-set victories yesterday to set up a repeat of last year's women's singles final at the Wimbledon championships.

Navratilova, the 22-year-old Dallas-based Czech exile, outplayed 16-year-old Californian Tracy Austin 7-5, 6-1, while Evert, champion in 1974 and 1978, reached her sixth final with a clearcut 6-3, 6-2 victory over 1971 title holder Evonne Goolagong Cawley of Australia.

And so two Wimbledon dreams came to an end. Little Austin, only 1.60 metres tall and weighing 47 kg., was hoping to become the youngest player this century to make the finals, while Cawley was aiming to be the first mother to win the title since Dorothy Lambert Chambers in 1914.

Neither match reached great heights, although Navratilova and Austin produced an absorbing seesaw first set lasting 46 minutes which the youngster seemed ready to take when serving at 5-3.

But the champion, pulling her game together, suddenly reeled off nine successive games as Austin's challenge faded badly.

In the second set there was only one player in it. Navratilova, who had beaten her opponent in the last

six of their seven meetings this year, gathered momentum to take the first set and sweep into a 5-0 lead in the next before Austin broke a nine-game losing sequence.

It was only a temporary reprieve, however, and the champion made no mistake in completing a one-hour, 15-minute victory in the following game on her fourth match point.

The second centre-court semifinal was disappointingly one-sided, with Evert never being seriously extended by her 27-year-old Australian opponent.

Cawley, who had dropped only one set in five matches on her way to the semifinals, never found her rhythm. The only time Evert showed any sign of pressure was when she twice double-faulted in the fifth game of the opening set to allow Cawley to break back for 3-3.

But the 24-year-old American, world No. 1 in rankings for the fifth straight year, broke back immediately and allowed Cawley only one more game in the set.

Evert gained an early break in the second set to lead 2-1 and held onto the advantage before breaking again in the seventh game and then serving out for victory in a match lasting 63 minutes.

Navratilova and Lloyd will battle it out tomorrow for tennis's most exclusive title and first prize of \$13,000. In last year's final, Navratilova won

in three sets. (UPI, Reuter) In a men's doubles semi-final match yesterday, Brian Gottfried (U.S.) and Raul Ramirez (Mexico) beat John Sadri and Tim Wilkison (U.S.) 6-4, 2-6, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3.

A women's doubles quarter-final saw Betty Stove (Netherlands) and Wendy Turnbull (Australia) beat

Sue Barker (Britain) and Ann Kiyomura (U.S.) 6-3, 1-6, 6-1. In third-round mixed doubles matches, D. Sherbeck and Jane Stratton (U.S.) beat Jose Damiani (Uruguay) and Silviana Urros (Chile) 6-4, 7-5, and David Lloyd and Leslie Charles of Britain beat John Lloyd (Britain) and Rosie Casals (U.S.)



Tommy Frischer, 18, Israel's only participant in Wimbledon Fortnight events, seen practicing recently for the event. He lost yesterday to his first-round Italian opponent in the junior division championship, 3-6, 2-6.

Local young racquets take off for U.S. junior tournaments

By JACK LEON Post Sports Reporter TEL AVIV. — Top Israel tennis players Shahar Perks and Elion Sinal left for the U.S. yesterday to play in the prestigious boys' 18 National Circuit there.

The tour opens on Sunday with the hard-court championships San Jose, California. Until then, the youngsters will work out in New York with former Wimbledon and

Maccabiah champion Dick Savitt, a long-time supporter of the local game. Savitt held a 10-day clinic for Israeli juniors at Ramat Hasharon's Israel Tennis Centre last March.

After San Jose, Perks and Sinal will compete in tournaments at St. Louis, Nashville (the clay court championships) and Springfield, Ohio. This is the boys' second overseas tour together, following a visit to Australia in 1977, where they

played the junior circuit with great success.

Also competing in America this summer are Gilad Bloom, Marcel Herachaf and Amos Mansdorf, three of the ITC's leading racquets in the 11 to 18 age group. The two-month tour, arranged by the centre for the second consecutive year, opens in Fort Worth, Texas, on Sunday, and includes major junior tournaments across the States. ITC chief coach Shlomo Zoref is accompanying the team.

Sarid wants soccer mixup probed Jerusalem cooks and waiters faced Rumanian pro squad

By ASHER WALLFISH Post Knesset Reporter Why did Hapoel, the Histadrut-affiliated sports organization, send the Ram Hotel amateur soccer team of Jerusalem for a series of fixtures in Rumania against teams in that country's professional national league?

MK Yosef Sarid (Alignment) put this question in a letter to Histadrut Secretary-General Yaroham Meshel and asked him to probe the scandal. Nearly 90 players and officials of the Ram Hotel — a member of the third league of amateur teams from Israeli workplaces — were sent to Rumania in June by Hapoel for three

games, Sarid wrote. There, they found themselves playing before crowds of over 5,000 fans who had paid the equivalent of IL35 a ticket. The Ram Hotel cooks and waiters found themselves billed as "Tel Aviv League" top of the Israel National League." At each game, boss and officials from the disappointed spectators almost drove them off the field, Sarid wrote.

The fiasco was a case of fraud and forgery carried out to line the pockets of certain people, Sarid wrote Meshel. He sent a copy of his complaint to Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir, and enclosed copies of the Rumanian advertisements for the matches.

Ali announces retirement bash; Tate, Coetzee to vie for title

INGLEWOOD, California (UPI). — Muhammad Ali plans to retire in style — with a touch of show business and a financial assist to amateur boxing. The 37-year-old fighter, who began his career as Cassius Clay, announced Tuesday that he will hold his retirement party at the Los Angeles Forum on September 6. Proceeds from ticket sales to the variety show will go to the U.S. Olympic Games boxing programme.

Committee chairman Mike Mor-timer announced that South African Gerrie Coetzee will fight American John Tate for the vacated world title. Tate, who was vacated in the current dispute, must reported in the South African press, over who would be eligible for the title fight following Coetzee's defeat of American Leon Spinks in Monte Carlo last month.

Bernie Shavers, who is ranked second after Tate in the WBA listings, had been touted as the fighter to meet Tate first. Coetzee is ranked fourth in the current WBA listings. Wednesday's announcement ensured a South African stake in the next world title bout. U.S. boxing promoter Bob Arum, has named Pretoria or Johannesburg as possible sites early in September.

U.S. baseball

Table with columns: AMERICAN LEAGUE East, Baltimore, Milwaukee, New York, Detroit, Cleveland, Toronto, Texas, California, Minnesota, Kansas City, Chicago, Seattle, Oakland, Tuesday's games, Minnesota 12-3, Seattle 2-10, Boston 10, Kansas City 0, Cleveland 7, Chicago 2, Milwaukee 7, New York 2, Toronto 9, Detroit 3, St. Louis 2, Texas 4, Baltimore 0, California 3, Oakland 0.

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Therefore, Braille books and periodicals, when they do appear, must be sponsored, heavily subsidized by service-to-the-blind organizations. This puts blind people at a distinct disadvantage: Despite their usually superior sensory abilities — as compensation for their usual disabilities — blind people are limited in their reading choices to those which someone else decides could be produced in a Braille edition.

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THE ELIFNA resembles an ordinary shoulder-borne cassette recorder. Closer inspection, however, reveals a 10-button keyboard — the standard six-button Braille keyboard plus keys for backspacing, line advancing and "transfer-to-tape" function. And on the bottom of a side panel is a multi-pin socket which, with the aid of a device called an interface, permits the Elifna, which costs under \$6,000, to adapt its Braille "intelligence" to any computer's machine language.

Without recourse to the interface feature, the Elifna can be used as a simple means of communications between one blind person and another. One of them merely inserts a cassette and types whatever he

wishes on the usual Braille keyboard. Instead of perforating and embossing a sheet of paper, his typing introduces electro-magnetic Braille impulses on to the cassette's tape.

When the receiving blind person inserts the cassette in his Elifna recorder, the cassette's impulses are "displayed" on a six-inch Braille display strip — a line of raised blunt-headed brass pins. When he finishes reading the line, the reader simply depresses a button and the next line of Braille appears on the display strip. For the Braille-trained blind person, reading this way can be much faster than a sighted person's reading of these lines.

Now, if the first blind person intends his communication for sighted readers, he simply connects an interface between his Elifna and an IBM Selectric typewriter. Then, whatever he types in Braille appears in regular characters.

And if a sighted person wishes to write to a blind person, he need only connect an IBM Selectric typewriter to the "buffer memory" of the Elifna.

The material will automatically be recorded in Braille on the cassette and displayed on the Elifna strip.

For mathematical or business use, the Elifna easily converts the output of a usual pocket electronic calculator into Braille.

BUT ONE of the most promising features of the Elifna is its ability to make commercial reading material available to blind people.

Increasing numbers of books, magazines and newspapers are "going computer" to streamline production operations. Various techniques are used, including the punching of tapes by special typewriters and the Optical Character Recognition (OCR) process — the latter method being used by *The Jerusalem Post*.

Regardless of the method, the output used to set the type — photographic or "cold" — in professional parlance — is computer controlled. This means that the same electronic impulses used to produce printing type for books and periodicals for sighted people can now be tapped and taped by the Elifna to produce the identical books and periodicals for blind readers through conversion to Braille by a simple cassette.

The question of economic feasibility is thus removed, enabling blind people to obtain in Braille the same reading material sighted people can obtain in print.

The Elifna device can obviously do much more to serve the blind than make reading material easily available to them.

The day cannot be far off when totally blind people can serve as airlines registration clerks — since they can read the computerized data bank material just as dexterously in Braille as sighted people can read them in print or on a screen.

And with increasing numbers of scientific journals being produced by computer typesetting, more of this information will become readily available for use by blind researchers, whose horizons will be greatly widened.

Many of the greatest scientific developments have "caught on" years after they first appeared. The same may be the case with the Elifna, but one hopes the lag will not be that long.



Oleg Tretlakoff (right) reads a line of material typed on the Elifna machine by a blind student at Hadassah Community College, Jerusalem. (A. Hazan)

THE ISRAELI PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA — Zubin Mehta conducting; Ashkenazi, Jerusalem (July 4). Musical notes: Introduction and Rondo; Verdi: Prelude to Act One and Act Three from "La Traviata"; Respighi: "Festive Hours"; Joseph Haydn: "The Storm" (World Premiere); Dvorak: Slavonic Dance No. 3; Arias from opera by Mozart, Puccini, Verdi, Bellini, Puccini.

AN ORGY OF ENTHUSIASM

MUSIC REVIEWS



Zubin Mehta sketched by Milein Cosman

THE OPENING programme of the Israel Festival ranged from the sublime (Tchaikovsky's "Symphony") to the popular ("Come back to Sorrento"). The orchestral contributions included the first Israeli performance of a work by Egyptian composer Abdel-tahim, which surprisingly presented oriental modes and western techniques, parallel to our "Mediterranean music" of the "thirties and 'forties, so the music had a familiar sound.

In the Respighi symphonic poem, Mehta let loose all the power of the brass, and the decibels filled the hall. In this atmosphere Josef Tal's latest work, his Third Symphony, was difficult to listen to. Undoubtedly it is the serious composition of a master, which deserves another performance. Instrumental colours, percussive timbres, and musical motifs built on melodic lines raise this opus high above many other "contemporary" writings. Mehta — but all his persuasive drive into the performance — and the audience received the composer with warm applause.

The hero of the evening, however, was Luciano Pavarotti. His voice and natural fireworks brought the house down. Choosing all the evergreens from Italian opera, he sang everything with such convincing power and smooth delivery that the concert turned into an orgy of enthusiasm Jerusalem has not witnessed for a very long time.

To provide breathing space for the singers, the orchestra interspersed solo arias with the two preludes to "La Traviata," played with loving care, and towards the end, an exhilarating reading of the Dvorak Dance, which pleased the audience, about somehow the official opening of the Israel Festival seemed not a festive gala but a pop concert for a summer night.

YOHANAN BOEHM

THE ISRAELI CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, led by Barak, conducted by Vladimir Ashkenazi (Tel Aviv Museum, July 4). Mozart: Symphony No. 35 in E-flat Major; Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 4.

MOZART'S E-flat Major symphony sounded like it was conducted by a push-button apparatus, by a computer that produced a technically precise performance but froze the work's great human qualities into solid ice.

Barak moved us into space with this "Song of the Stars," a highly effective work, which he says was inspired by the Kabbala and the idea of the music of the spheres. It sounded more like a science fiction film score, dramatically puncturing long sustained sounds with powerful passages.

enough, Ashkenazi's orchestral sonorities seemed to burst the walls, trying to escape. Beethoven's Fourth melody, perhaps slightly Jewish in character, unifies the work. "Song of the Stars" is a convincing work compact and economical in its use of material and effects. Barak's performance was frighteningly direct and vehement.

The second part of the concert featured the great Ashkenazi. To let him play with the orchestra in the Recanati Hall seemed like putting a lion in a birdcage. The IPO's refusal to put the Mann Auditorium at the disposal of the Chamber Orchestra cannot be condemned strongly

avant-garde music. Today it is old hat. His obvious lack of ideas was not camouflaged by high falutin' explanations of "Kabbala-influence" and "mysticism," or by the excessive use of percussions and electric phosphenes in the strings. This was simply a bore.

Perhaps it could be used as background music for a science fiction film.

Vladimir Ashkenazi's cerebral approach to the great G-Major Concerto did not fit my idea of the music and to me diminished it and nearly prettified Beethoven's language. The audience thought otherwise, showering the soloist with applause. My reservations do not, of course, detract from Ashkenazi's stature.

Barak's collaboration with him was empathetic and in unison with the soloist's intentions.

The sound, or rather lack of it, in the strings, at least from where I sat, makes one wonder how the ICO will fare next season with its planned move to Binyanei Ha'ooma.

"THE SONG: Popular versus Artistic." Alisa Chen, soprano; Gaby Sade, tenor; Asrit Balsam and Raphael Kadishon, piano. "The Song" was conducted by Ya'akov Hollander (Knesset Hall, Old Acre, June 30). Program: "So it's a man"; Schumann: songs; Three Fantasy Pieces for Piano; Faure: two songs; Poulenc: two songs; Israeli songs and folk songs from abroad.

THE KNIGHTS' HALL is an attraction in itself, cool and peaceful, though damp. Chamber music concerts take place there fortnightly, on Friday or Saturday evenings.

This programme, meant to contrast the folk and the art song, featured unknown performers, which explains perhaps the small attendance.

True to her name, Alisa Chen (grace) sings with grace. Her diction is clear. However, her high notes sound strained, and there is a lack of understanding in the interpretation of the various idioms and style of the music, especially evident in Schumann's *Die Lorelei*.

Tenor Gaby Sade has a pleasant, warm voice and sings with care and with musical feeling in an operatic style. He should choose a repertoire more suited for his style.

Asrit Balsam, good in her accompaniment of the two soloists, played the three Schumann pieces with feeling and delicacy though not flawlessly.

The choral ensemble, "The Ra'ananim," has a rich and varied programme, three good soloists and a very good pianist. Its energetic conductor, who does all the adaptations and writes some of the music, is composer Ya'acov Hollander.

They are at their best in performing Israeli and foreign folk songs. The programme was a fine blending of voices. As for the opening madrigals (Jannegun, Dowland, Gastoldi), these should be sung *a cappella*, with no sound amplification.

ESTHER REUTER

was to abolish boundaries between Jews and Arabs.

IN THEIR "Social Aspects of Guerrilla and Anti-Guerrilla Warfare" (Magness Press), two Hebrew University researchers really mean terrorism.

Eliezer Ben-Rafael and Moshe Lissak seek theoretical formulae to encompass all possible combinations involving a protracted violent conflict.

Esoterically, they speak about "the degree of inflation of the centre's power," meaning the extent to which the central authority might resort to force rather than to concensus in resolving inherent popular dissatisfaction. It seems as if terrorist wars evolve automatically under certain conditions.

But the three concrete examples which the authors provide — Cyprus, South Africa and Vietnam — clearly point to a single prerequisite for prolonged local hostilities: There must emerge a nucleus of daredevil zealots who think little beyond the risks of violence and who get their inspiration from outside.

In Cyprus, the nucleus was formed almost artificially by Greeks from the mainland; in Vietnam, the revolt was fanned directly from Moscow, while in South Africa, the violence would have taken a long time to mature without the small liberal group of whites who provided an ideology, an organization and the means for the terrorist option.

Obviously, without the physical involvement of legitimate, international accepted Arab states which provide accommodation, money and organization for the PLO, the latter's activities would have died long before it could do any considerable damage to Israel — and to the world.

TERRORISM is always with us — in practice. This week we have also had terrorism in theory — in the form of the Jerusalem Conference on International Terrorism. This would appear to be a good opportunity, therefore, for discussing the laws enacted in Israel to combat terrorism, both internal and international.

One of the first laws enacted by the Provisional Council of State (which preceded the Knesset) was the Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance. This law was enacted for the purpose of liquidating the remaining remnants of the Lehi underground organization after the murder of Count Bernadotte in Jerusalem since the provisional government of the newly-born State of Israel felt rather uneasy about using the Mandatory Government emergency regulations — which contained a comprehensive list of measures to be taken against subversive organizations — to suppress a Jewish underground organization that had fought the British administration.

The Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance defines a terrorist organization as "a body or person resorting to acts or threats of violence calculated to cause death or injury to a person."

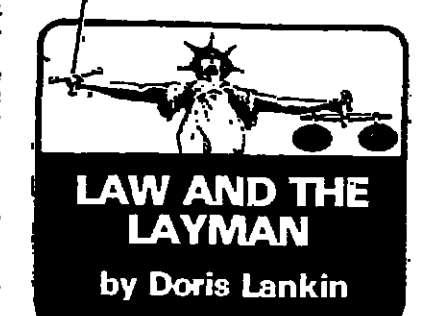
It also makes membership in such an organization punishable with five years' imprisonment. On the other hand, leadership in a terrorist organization, or delivering a propaganda speech at a public meeting or over the radio on behalf of a terrorist organization, carries a penalty of 20 years' imprisonment. And it is sufficient for the government to publish a notice in *Reshumot* declaring a particular body of persons to be a terrorist organization for that notice to serve as proof that the body of persons in question is a terrorist organization, unless the contrary is proved.

This ordinance was, in my memory, more correctly, invoked on only one other occasion, when a group of ex-Lehi members, known as the Sarafand Group, tried abortively to establish an anti-government underground in the 'fifties. It has since fallen into complete disuse, as the authorities responsible for the safety and security of the population of Israel quickly realized that the Defence (Emergency) Regulations inherited from the British Mandatory Government, provide a much more effective weapon for combating terrorism.

One wonders whether it would not be more elegant solution to replace both the ancient Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance and the Defence (Emergency) Regulations, which have a distasteful association with the Mandatory Government and some draconically oppressive provisions, with an indigenous, modern and effective anti-terrorism law.

Under the Defence (Emergency) Regulations anyone caught using, or even carrying, arms or explosives can be sentenced to death. This severe penalty, as I pointed out in a previous article, has never been implemented in Israel. It was implemented 10 times against Jews by the Mandatory Government. Anyone

Combating terrorism



found concealing arms or explosives or any other weapons capable of causing death or serious injury, or anyone caught manufacturing arms or explosives, or sabotaging government or military installations can be sentenced to life imprisonment.

Anyone unlawfully wearing the uniform of the Israel Defence Forces or Police, or the uniform of the armed forces of any foreign state, can also be sentenced to life imprisonment. Anyone who unlawfully trains people in the use of arms and explosives, is liable for seven years' imprisonment. Anyone giving shelter and aid to a person whose activities jeopardize the security of the public and the defence of Israel is liable to five years' imprisonment.

THESE regulations also have comprehensive provisions on illegal organizations and make membership in such organizations punishable with up to ten years' imprisonment.

Trials of suspected offenders against the regulations are conducted in the military courts, whose decisions are final, there being no appeal against them.

Among the additional measures that can be applied under the regulations, are administrative arrest, which under a recent amendment is now subject to approval by the Minister of Defence. Others are expulsion from the country (by order of the minister of defence only); restriction of movement; imposition of curfews; and confiscation and destruction of property suspected of having been used by terrorists.

In addition to the Defence (Emergency) Regulations, the Prevention of Infiltration (Offences and Jurisdiction) Law, was passed by the Knesset in 1964, when it was a daily occurrence for Israelis living near the borders of the country to be killed or wounded by armed infiltrators.

This law defines "infiltrator" as a person who has entered Israel knowingly and unlawfully while being a national or citizen of the Lebanon, Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Iraq or the Yemen. Unarmed infiltrators are liable to five years' imprisonment. An armed infiltrator, or an infiltrator in the company of an armed person, is liable to imprisonment for life. Life

imprisonment is also the punishment for any infiltrator who commits a felony or any offence involving damage to property, the use of force or a disturbance of the peace.

A person who shelters or aids an infiltrator, or trades with one, is liable to imprisonment for five years; a person who infiltrates after having been deported from Israel is liable to imprisonment for seven years.

This law is now rarely invoked, save in the case of deportees who infiltrate back into Israel.

Mention must also be made of the law, enacted in 1969, empowering policemen, soldiers and members of Haganah (civil defence) to carry out searches of persons or of their effects, and of vehicles in order to protect public security. It is under this law that women's handbags and men's persons are searched in public places, although this could be done also under the Defence (Emergency) Regulations.

ALL THE LAWS referred to above are concerned with acts of terrorism perpetrated within the country. The only law so far which refers to acts of terrorism committed outside the country is the Air Navigation (Offences and Jurisdiction) Law of 1971. It deals with acts of terror committed on board Israeli planes or in Israeli territory or against Israeli nationals or planes belonging to other countries.

Under this law the courts of Israel are competent to try anyone suspected of having committed any such act of terror. Moreover, anyone who has hijacked a plane, whether an Israeli one or not, is liable to life imprisonment, such penalty being mandatory if in the process anyone is killed. Anyone who has committed an act intended to endanger the life of a person aboard the plane, or to damage the plane or any property in it, is liable to imprisonment for 20 years, and to a mandatory life sentence if the act causes someone's death.

Anyone who has already been tried for any of these offences in another country may be tried again in Israel. If he is convicted abroad and again in Israel, the court here will take into account, in passing sentence, the penalty he received abroad.

The law also details how air-crews should handle persons whom they suspect are about to jeopardize the safety of the aircraft and its passengers.

AN IMPORTANT provision of this law provides that the Israeli courts may try anyone who has committed an offence on board an Israeli aircraft in or outside Israeli territory; has, in Israeli territory, committed an offence aboard a non-Israeli aircraft; or has, outside Israeli territory, committed an offence against an Israeli or against Israeli property or against the security of the State of Israel.

How the perpetrators of all these offences are to be apprehended is not a question of law, but one of policy on the part of the different states — and this is one of the questions being discussed at the Jerusalem Conference on International Terrorism.

Israel exonerated on Territories

WRITERS AND READERS/Sraja Shapira

ABILITY to provide conditions for normal civilian life.

"Normality" was compared to the standards prevailing within Israel's "Green Line."

The recommendations of the Fourth Geneva Convention applied *de facto*, but Israel could not be expected to be formally bound by it because that would mean she recognized the sovereignty of Jordan over Judea and Samaria, and of Egypt over the Gaza Strip.

As these territories have a special meaning for Israel and the Jewish people, being part of the historic Land of Israel, nobody could expect Israel to abandon its legal claim

even if there were no security reasons for them at all.

Moreover, Kerber notes, the Fourth Convention had never been applied in any international hostilities since 1945 — when the convention was drawn up — "not in Vietnam, nor in Laos, neither in the conflict which brought to grips India and Pakistan."

THE RECORD of the Israeli administration in the Territories is surely the finest achievement of all its governments. Kerber provides statistics and examples showing the progress in agriculture, health and the standard of living generally. She spells out the rules and practices of military courts and the prison conditions.

Indeed, the facts are clear and easy to get. But facts can be twisted by political "interpretation." There is no end to the absurdities that political propaganda can achieve.

For instance when Professor Masar's epoch-making digs outside the Old City walls began, the Arabs raised a storm in the UN, claiming the archaeologists were "encircling" the Dome of the Rock and the al Aksa area. The claim is without foundation, of course; the general idea of the administration

TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Broadly speaking, they mark territory (5)
- Station light (4, 5)
- Cause to sigh? (6)
- The joining of a labour group (5)
- Start hesitating badly on the step (4)
- Two revolvers (4)
- Light soft liquor (4)
- She gets pushed into some hole (5)
- Hotbeds are apt to lose their (4)
- Kind of Much Ado (4)
- Game in which feathers fly (5)
- Room for patient improvement (4)
- Field to be immoral (4)
- Nominal outfit (3)
- Defensive alarm explosion (4)
- Birds give him to us (4)
- Capital writer (4)
- Converse of steel stone (5)
- It's fun wearing outside slippers (6)
- Hooked to the bed (3)
- Hooked out, or just gone (6)

DOWN

- How a U-boat turns (5)
- Blooming trade union impertinence (5)
- Valley in the jungle, normally (5)
- When you may be fooled at first (5)
- Trundle out something to (5)
- Taken out in the garden (6)
- Chances to be select, possibly (5)
- It's negative in no time (3)
- His love may be for cars (5)
- War-time lord of the air (7)
- Dog new in Australia? (3)
- In which to cook everything? (5)
- He's out to be exceptional (3, 3)

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Soft (5)
- Profits (8)
- Uncertainties (6)
- Fooling case (5)
- Uncommon (4)
- Chubbage (4)
- Don odd (4)
- Puddle (3)
- Want (4)
- Helps (4)
- Public for sale (5)
- Go up (4)
- Acen (4)
- Mountain pass (3)
- Over-inquisitive (3)
- Loosen (4)
- Marshy areas (4)
- Decorative balls (5)
- Things deeply (6)
- Healthy exertion (5)
- Period before Christmas (6)

DOWN

- Group of 25 (5)
- Large bundle (4)
- Type of car (5)
- Precise (4)
- Additive (6)
- Congrats (6)
- Return (5)
- Inclines (5)
- Reparation (7)
- Shelter (3)
- Poem (3)
- Smooth (6)
- Be poorly (3)
- Playthings (6)
- Beloved (6)
- Strange (3)
- Attack (5)
- Lowest point (5)
- Gofer's warning (4)
- Tree covering (4)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution: Across: 1. "New" Ave. Rd. 2. Van-Ida. 10. Abbot. 11. Liver. 12. A-Seat. 13. Solvent. 14. Beadle. 15. Beadle. 17. Oral. 18. Sleuth. 19. Scale. 20. French. 21. Lumber. 22. Dun-24. Eas. 25. Steeper. 26. (Jack)Ketch. 27. Limit. 28. Handy. 29. William. 30. Toxic. 31. Te-see.

Yesterday's Easy Solution: Across: 1. Boots. 6. Verre. 9. Rotalet. 10. Divan. 11. Milk. 12. Several. 13. Airt. 14. Bait. 15. Aught. 16. Three. 18. Slur. 19. Scraps. 20. Robert. 22. Stride. 23. Beloved. 25. Bum. 26. Dude. 28. Red.

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SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLE TOMORROW

France to solve unemployment by throwing out foreigners

By JACK MAURICE Jerusalem Post Correspondent PARIS. — A new French government law designed to reduce unemployment by driving 200,000 foreigners out of the country each year is under fire here from trade unions, immigrants' organizations and the left-wing political opposition.

The French government is concerned that, as the energy crisis bites harder, it will be unable to cope with massive unemployment — a figure of 1.5 million is predicted for this autumn unless the immigrant population is brutally reduced.

The law does not provide for any right of appeal, although Stoleru has told parliament that commissions will be set up for this purpose. But the absence of any reference to these bodies in the bill augurs ill for future victims of arbitrary expulsion.

Most Israeli projects for Egypt 'objectionable'

By MACABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Nine out of 10 requests by Israeli businessmen to start commercial relations with the Egyptians "are objectionable in one form or another," Gideon Patt, Minister of Industry, Trade and Tourism, said yesterday in addressing the "Millionaire's Club" — those industrialists whose exports top the \$1m. mark each year.



As part of the "Week for the Elderly" in Tel Aviv, in connection with the city's 79th anniversary, all Bank Leumi branches there are honouring their older clients.

Visa credit cards expand in Israel and abroad

STOCKHOLM. — Visa International, at its board of directors' meeting here last month, accepted as members 19 financial institutions in 16 countries, expanding Visa credit card services in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and Asia.

Leumi, Israel Discount Bank Ltd. and the Union Bank. Visa is now represented by over 90 per cent of the country's total banking assets.

Solel Boneh profit comes from abroad

By MACABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Solel Boneh, the Histadrut-owned construction company, finished 1978 with an operational profit — but its main profit was made abroad, not in Israel, Shraga Rotman, director-general of the company's board of directors, said yesterday.



Inexpensive herb plants to grow on window sills and porches as well as rare, costly orchids for special occasions are among the items now available to Jerusalemites through the opening of a Flowers by Katz shop in the Capital.

U.S. bankers see role for Israel as Switzerland of the Middle East

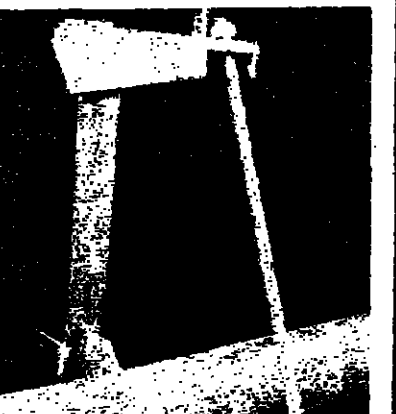
The sixth national bankers delegation, whose banks and bank holding companies list assets of nearly \$20b. and have already invested significantly in Israel Bonds and other financial instruments, foresees a role for Israel as the "Switzerland of the Middle East" provided a lasting peace is achieved.

ly when you consider that it's been going on while you had war at the same time.

people deserve the greatest amount of encouragement. The West is less informed than it should be.

Spring invented in Israel used in nuclear reactors

HAIFA. — A completely new type of steel spring, designed to assure constant force in sensitive systems, including nuclear reactors, has been invented by Haifa scientist Dr. Boaz Popper.



Pi-flex spring invented by Dr. Boaz Popper.

The spring, named Pi-flex, for the Greek word for flexibility, resembles, as described by Dr. Popper yesterday at the 18th Israel Conference on Mechanical Engineering at the Technion.

Dr. Popper told The Jerusalem Post that he has protected the new spring with international patents. Two pieces, manufactured by Popper Engineering Ltd., have been sold to a foreign firm which is one of the world's biggest spring makers.

El Al may have new boss but the troubles remain

By BARUCH SAVILLE Post Aviation Reporter TEL AVIV. — "El Al may have got itself a new boss, but the problems remain the same." This was the general comment of numerous El Al personnel following the resignation of general manager Mordechai Hod.

only the messenger boy in Transport and Finance Ministry. However, the person added, "money talks. This week ground staff threatened to lay off their tools. Now the cabin attendants are threatening to do the same unless they too are paid \$1 million in back pay."

Japanese pockets hit by yearly gift giving

TOKYO (AP). — The Japanese, their wallets fat with summer bonuses often amounting to several hundred dollars, have gone on their summer spending spree.

salary of \$360 dollars before tax according to government figures. Amano, a middle-level manager at a large trading company, said like many other employees in his position, he was obliged to buy gifts for his seniors out of respect and duty.

The traditional gift has been expanded to include canned fruit, dried mushrooms, soy sauce, and even detergents. This year's department store spokesmen said the three fastest selling items were seasonings, edible oil, soft drinks and that old Japanese favourite — Scotch whisky. Packaged noodles priced at between \$9.20 and \$13.80 also were in demand.

A department store saleswoman in Tokyo's fashionable Ginza district said an average customer spends around \$200 on gifts per year. But he added, "I don't know so many people buying year-end gifts because of the rise in summer prices, up 3.7 per cent last year."

Gov't cars still cheap for users

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter Cabinet ministers, directors-general and top private business officials will continue to benefit from the use of government and company vehicles at relatively inexpensive prices, according to Semadar Etkanani, an economist for the Knesset Finance Committee.

Minister Menahem Begin had proposed an updating of car usage charges deducted from the wages of officials entitled to use of a government vehicle. The result of such updating would be a real cut of about 10 per cent in their wages.

Advertisement for 'Advertise by Mail' with a coupon form. The coupon includes fields for name, address, telephone number, and a section for specifying the number of times the advertisement should appear (weekday or Friday) and the duration. It also lists rates per word and includes a 'CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE' instruction.

Advertisement for 'ENERGY 80' exhibition. It features the text 'Manufacturers, Distributors Make sure of your stand at the exhibition' and 'ENERGY 80 being staged under the auspices of The Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure'. It lists various categories of products to be represented, such as insulation, water heaters, and air conditioning, and provides contact information for the exhibition.

Hapoalim rights introduced at 5-point premium

TEL AVIV. — The long-awaited Bank Hapoalim rights issue finally reached the market yesterday, bearing a five-point premium over its calculated value.

IL\$5m. in nominal value were traded. Based on this price, investors who have opted to utilize the rights to acquire new Hapoalim 50 per cent dividend shares along with options can now look forward to receiving a package which will be worth at least IL\$5.53.

The index-linked bond market continued to hold the spotlight yesterday with gains recorded in all sectors. Advancing prices ranged from 0.5-3 per cent. Trading volumes were moderate, as IL\$2.5m. changed hands.

The share market, on the other hand, continued to encounter a difficult time. The tendency was generally lower, but there was

Stocks & bonds — the market report

By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU Post Finance Reporter

An improvement in yesterday's atmosphere and price behaviour over Tuesday's performance. The Israeli pound again resisted devaluation pressures and only gave up one agora against the U.S. dollar.

Commercial banks enjoyed a more or less typical day of trading. Hapoalim continued its recent trend, gaining two points. IDB, Mizrahi and General Bank each traded on one point.

not change. The bank appears to be busy in the market supporting its own shares. Stability and some easing of prices characterized the mortgage bank group.

Insurance issues were mixed. Phoenix IL\$ was down by 7.2 per cent, but Yardenia IL\$ and IL\$ shares gained 3.5 per cent.

Motor House gained 2.5 points to 487. Land development and real estate shares were lower. Mahadrin lost 95 points to 1010.

Oil Exploration of Fax lost five points to 169. Naphtala was unchanged but Lapidot (b) was 13 lower.

Industrials were mixed. Moller was a 5 per cent gainer, while Arad jumped by 6.7 per cent. Taal (b) lost 5.1 per cent, while Phoenicia was dropping by 3.7 per cent.

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Table with columns: July 4, 1979, Closing price, Volume, Change. Lists various commercial banks and shares like L.D.E. prof., L.D.E. s.c., etc.

Table with columns: Closing price, Volume, Change. Lists various shares like Housing Mtg. opt. 1, Housing Mtg. opt. 2, etc.

Table with columns: Closing price, Volume, Change. Lists various shares like Prop. & Hdg. opt. "A", Prop. & Hdg. 15% deb. 4, etc.

Representative bond prices

Table with columns: Gov't development, Price, Change. Lists various government bonds like 4% Gov't development, 5% Gov't (89% Co-L), etc.

New York Stock Exchange

Table with columns: Stock, Closing price, Change. Lists various stocks like Allied Chemical, Amer. Int. Paper Mills, etc.

Bank of Israel representative foreign exchange rates — July 4

Table with columns: Currency, Rate. Lists various currencies like U.S. dollar, British sterling, German mark, etc.

Dollar continues slump

LONDON (AP). — The dollar faded against major currencies yesterday while the British pound hit another new four-year high.

Frozen food industry gains coverage

Israel's frozen food industry received considerable attention in a recent issue of "Quick Frozen Foods International," a U.S. trade journal.

Levy tells Shikun U'Fituah to stop luxury building

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GUARDING THE GUARDIANS

The Post's YOSEF GOELL castigates Israeli governments, past and present, for flouting the laws they themselves have legislated when there is the slightest hint of political or administrative inconvenience.

WHAT DO a conference against terrorism and the tabling of a government bill gutting the national service clause of the Military Conscription Law have in common? At first blush the very question would seem to be no more than a far-fetched analogy...

ing should make them fair game for legitimate retaliation by victim states, and by that part of the international community of nations interested in maintaining a semblance of adherence to minimal standards of human behaviour.

against the inhuman conditions under which they work and selectively Any sense of shame which could possibly have been mustered against the present Likud government died in the Knesset years ago.

A moral decision

THE BUNDESTAG, the German Federal Republic's Parliament, on Tuesday struck down, after twice extending, the 30-year statute of limitations on all acts of murder. This should now enable the Government in Bonn to prosecute Nazi war criminals without any restriction of time.

Crime and the press

THE CASE of Bezael Mizrahi v. "Ha'aretz" is still subject to appeal and therefore not a suitable topic for critical discussion. But it is perhaps not too early to point out some of the more obvious implications of the verdict handed down yesterday by Tel Aviv District Judge Shulamit Wallenstein.

READERS' LETTERS

ZIONIST ACTIVISTS
To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Judy Siegel's article of June 24 about the Zionist General Council points a finger at the Council's lack of deeds and the non-Zionists' rolling their eyes up at it...

UN BIAS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Congratulations to our government for the decision to protest to the UN against the smuggling of arms by UN personnel.

PROPHETS OF DOOM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — One cannot fail to note a similarity between the advice given by the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel to potential immigrants to delay their aliya to this country and that proffered by the Biblical spies as reported in the weekly portion of a couple of weeks ago.

NEED FOR RESTRUCTURING Z.G.C.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Judy Siegel, who called for the abolition of the Zionist General Council in her article, "Unheeded call" (June 24), is misguided and focuses her cynicism on the wrong objectives.

A THOUGHT FOR THE HANDICAPPED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I had to consult someone at the Health Ministry offices situated on the fourth floor at 27 Keren Hayesod Street, Jerusalem. There are more than 70 steps — steep ones — and no elevator.

Dry Bones



Such a proposal is admittedly treading on dangerous ground. The assumption underlying it is that such drastic action would indeed restore government and Knesset members to their sense of national responsibility and fairness, and thus make it unnecessary to make the point more than once.

Trading with Russia

American businessmen are pushing for easier trade with Moscow, and human rights activists are querying Soviet intentions in relaxing emigration restrictions. These issues and others are examined in this background memorandum on the Jackson-Vanik amendment by the American Jewish Committee.

USSR and — equally vital — has there been meaningful elimination of obstacles to movement? Second, what kind of assurances are the Soviets prepared to give that recent increase in movement is not just a temporary ploy, a tactic to gain "MFN"...

and on "capitalist greed" for trade to defect the Jackson-Vanik amendment. When this was adopted, and Congress passed a companion amendment of Senator Adlai Stevenson restricting credits to the USSR to \$300m, the Soviets promptly rescinded the October 1972 Trade Agreement reached after Vladivostok.

ANY ASSURANCES...

ANY ASSURANCES, it is pointed out, should not deal with numbers alone. Equally important, supporters state, is that no punitive action be taken against visa applicants, that the process of application be a fair and open one, and that the number of those allowed to depart rise to match the figure of those who wish to go.

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the assurances the law now requires; and that this be for five years instead of one. This last proposal, observers consider, has little chance of making any headway. Vanik vehemently on record as opposed to any change in the amendment itself, as Senator Jackson said.

POSTSCRIPTS

THE BATHING belles of the Caspian Sea resort of Bandar Anzali, Iran, had to give up their bikinis to swim with the men. AP reports. They now go into the water fully clothed and swathed in chadors — head-to-toe veils — to conform with Iran's post-revolutionary mores.

VIETNAMESE — Except for three families, all of the 101 Vietnamese who took refuge in Israel last January have settled in the north. The three moved to Hoon where the men work at the local Tadiran factory. Fourteen families have obtained apartments in Afula, the same northern town where they were initially absorbed.

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